(d) The officer has as per rules intimated such details from time to time which are personal and confidential in nature.

Observation of World Bank about the cost of Snamprogetti and Kellong fertiliser plants

3050. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRI SOM PAL:
SHRI SARADA MOHANTY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the World Bank has made any observations about the cost of Snamprogeti and Kellong fertiliser technology and plants installed in India, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the quotations for Ammonia and Urea were asked separately or clubbed together for international bidding, if so, the details of the quotations from Snamprogetti and Kellong; and

(c) what are the details of the gas and electricity consumption in each of these plants?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) The World Bank had made observations in 1987 about the cost of gas-based fertilizer plants built in India being somewhat higher than those built elsewhere in the World. They did not make any comparison between the costs of plants built with Snamprogetti and Kellogg technology.

(b) The quotations for Ammonia and Urea were called separately for the first two gas-based projects at Thal and Hazira. Snamprogetti was not a bidder for Ammonia plants but Haldor Topsoe, with which Snamprogetti has business interests, had quoted. After detailed consideration of the relative merits of the various bids, Haldor Topsoe and Kellong were chosen for ammonia technology. Their relative positions taking into account factors like fees, estimated plant cost, guaranteed energy consumption (guaranteed works cost) etc. was as follows:—

(Evaluation for one 1350 TPD Ammonia Plant)

	(Rs. in crores)
1. Kellong	166.40
2. Haldor Topsoe	183.80

For Urea Plants, the comparative position of evaluation between Snamprogetti and Kellong done on the same basis as Ammonia plants (including guaranteed works cost) was as follows:—

	Urea Plant 3 x 1400 size Evaluation (Rs. in crores)	Urea Plant 4 x 1100 size Evaluation (Rs. in crores)
1. Snamprogetti (own technology)	567.6	570.6
2. Kellong (Stamicarbon Technology	577.98	58.12

(c) The details of energy consumption in respect of some of the fertiliser plants based on these technologies are given below:

Name of the plants	Energy Consumption Million K cal per tonne of Ammonia	
	1989-90	1990 91
1	2	3
RCF, Thal (Topsoe)	9.92	9.6
KRIBHCO, Hazira (Kellong) . . .	8.61	8.7
NFL, Vijaipur (Topsoe)	8.08	8.1
IFFCO, Aonla (Topsoe)	8.19	8.0

Filing writ petitions by drug company

3051. SHRIMATI KAILASHPATI: Will the PRIME MINSTER be pleased to state:

(a) whtther it is a fact that number of drup companies have filed writ petitions in various courts against the action of Government;

(b) names of the companies who filed writ petitions, details of courts and issues on which petitions were filed;

(c) how many writ petitions are pending and since when;

(d) whether it is a fact that in number of cases, Government have not even filed affidavits:

(e) if so, details of those cases and reasons for delay;

(f) whether it is a fact that Government have still to submit replies in these cases;

(g) if so, the details of these cases;

(h) since when the cases of Synbiotics relating to Streptomycin and Fulford relating to Gentamycin are pending and what is the present position in each case; and

(i) what steps have been taken to expedite the matters?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) to (g) The position is explained below:

S.No.	Name of the High Court	Name of the Company	Present Position
1		2	3
(i)	*Delhi High Court* . . .	(1) M/s. Synbiotics	Pending
		(2) M/s. Fulford	Pending
		(3) M/s. Glaxo	Listed for Hearing
(ii)	*Bombay High Court* . .	(1) M/s. Hoechst (2) M/s. Burroughs Wellcome (3) M/s. Nicholas	The Hon'ble Court has directed that the Companies be given a hearing and a speaking order passed. The Writ Peitions have been treated as withdrawn.